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PATENT APPLICATION

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TC 2800 MAIL ROOM

In re application of

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For: A SPRING CONTACT FOR AN ELECTRICAL CONNECTOR AND A CONNECTOR INCLUDING IT

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 7, please replace the 3rd paragraph, continuing to page 8, with the following:

As shown in Figure 1, the spring contact 7 is retained in the housing 4 of the body 1 by retaining means which include lugs 28 holding the portion 17 pressed against a rim 29 of the first entry 5. The lugs 28 are drops of plastics material melted onto the spring contact 7 after it is positioned in the housing 4, for example. The spring contact 7 is inserted into the body 1 via the first entry 5 on the first face 2. The size of the first entry 5 is such that it allows all of the spring contact 7 to pass through it. In contrast, the second entry 6 allows only the second branch 12 of the spring contact 7 to pass through it. The branch 11 is retained in the first entry 5 by the wall

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